

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Douglas Treadway
DATE: September 12, 2007
SUBJECT: Ratification of Energy Savings Contract with PG & E: Demand Response Program

The District currently contracts for electricity with PG & E. They offer a Demand Response Program that provides large customers, such as Community Colleges, a “rebate” for reducing electric load (usage) during peak demand times during potential energy shortages. This program pays the district 50 cents per kilowatt-hour of reduced electricity use. Potentially, this could amount to \$4000 per year. Moreover, in compliance with the District’s energy policy, this program notifies the district in advance of potential energy shortages to provide us with the ability to implement energy saving measures through our Energy Management System (EMS).

By participating in this program, the District will be able to take advantage of other benefits offered by PG & E. These include assistance in programming the EMS for automated reductions during peak loads, use of PG & E web based software, additional substantial rebates for load reductions for one year, and other incentives to be announced shortly.

There is no cost to the district to participate in the program and no requirement to reduce energy use, should the need arise. The college has complete flexibility in determining how much electricity reduction would occur, and when.

RECOMMENDATION:

The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees ratify Contract Number 2700801 with PG & E for Demand Response Program and related services at no cost to the District.